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**EDUCATION BOARD
CALLS RECREATION
PARLEY MARCH 16**

Agency Heads to Be Invited
to Give Views Next
Wednesday.

COMMITTEE PLACE
GIVEN UP BY QUINN

Protests Impression of Failure
to Co-operate—Ballou
Succeeds Member.

Members of the School Board will invite administrative heads of the agencies charged with recreation control in the District to a conference at the Franklin Building Wednesday at 3 p.m.

The date was set at the board meeting yesterday following adoption of a joint committee report opposing the Park and Planning Commission bill for recreation unification and suggesting a conference.

At the same time the board reluctantly accepted the resignation of Henry I. Quinn as its representative on the District Recreation Committee and appointed Superintendent of Schools Frank W. Ballou to succeed him.

In submitting his resignation, Mr. Quinn declared that his opposition to "various efforts by outside agencies" to interfere with the control of the school board over its properties and personnel may have given to some the impression of lack of co-operation.

Removes "Last Excuse."

"Such an impression is without justification," he said, "but in order that there may not be the slightest semblance of an excuse for the other interested parties to carry out the provisions of the co-ordination agreement by giving it a fair trial for one year in the direction of program co-ordination, I hereby tender my resignation as your representative on the condition that the superintendent of schools be appointed in my place."

Mr. Quinn preceded his resignation with the statement that in response to a charge by a proponent of the unification bill that voluntary co-ordination has been blocked by failure to include on the committee for program co-ordination the director of the Community Center Department and the directors of physical education in the schools, he moved the appointment of Mrs. E. K. Peoples, Birch E. Bayh and Dr. E. B. Henderson to the committee. The board approved the motion.

Hits Plan Before Association.
Mr. Quinn, in speaking last night before the Rhode Island Avenue Citizens' Association, scored as "vicious and dangerous" proposals to shift supervision of recreational facilities to a separate body.

Declaring that the placing of recreation authority in the hands of an outside agency would mean a variation in ideas and ideals with the educational system, Mr. Quinn, in addressing the association, maintained that the board government, the "logical and sensible development" since recreation premises are "definitely a part of education."

"Already we are aiming for an extended education program concerning recreation—the opening of playgrounds and school facilities until 5 p.m. daily and Saturdays and continuation of the recreational school year through summer months," he stated. "Our program is plotted carefully in collaboration with the whole educational scheme, whereas a supervisory change will mean conflict in principles and furthermore a double overhead to the District."

Dr. Ballou characterized Mr. Quinn's action in resigning from the committee as "generous" and as demonstrative of the devotion of Mr. Quinn in furthering the co-ordination program.

Others to Be Called.

In setting the date for the recreation conference, the board indicated it would invite, in addition to Mrs. Peoples, Mr. Bayh and Dr. Henderson, Miss Sybil Baker, supervisor of the Playground Department; C. Marshall Finnan, superintendent of the National Capital Parks, and Lewis R. Barrett, co-ordinator of recreation.

Other action by the board included approval of Works Progress Administration commercial class work as eligibility qualification for stenographic positions in the school system, on the condition that W. P. A. set up a central office where permanent records of pupils would be readily available and transferable in city school standards. A further provision is added that candidates from W. P. A. schools must have a minimum speed in typing and shorthand sufficient to meet school standards.

The ruling was inspired by the appeal of Miss Amy Mahoney to the board that she was not allowed to take the examinations because of her W. P. A. training. An applicant for a stenographic position in the colored schools, Miss Mahoney was allowed to take the test pending board consideration of her appeal. Dr. Ballou reported that she had failed the examination.

**Senators Get
Treat of Oysters
And Champagne**

By the Associated Press.
Senator Smathers, Democrat, of New Jersey, today sent a bottle of New Jersey champagne and a peck of New Jersey oysters to each of his 95 colleagues in the Senate—and waited for developments.
Last week he told the Senate: "If taken internally and in the proper proportions New Jersey's oysters and New Jersey's champagne will enable a man who has passed three-score-and-ten to jump over a 10-foot fence before breakfast."
His words had hardly dried in the Congressional Record before a winery and an oyster in his State offered to supply enough of their products to spread over Capitol Hill.

**Navy's Sponsor-Researcher
To Christen Warship Herself**

Mrs. Casbarian Is Given
Honor Rare Among
U. S. Employees.

The Navy Department employee, who for some 20 years has been assembling the genealogical information on which the Secretary of the Navy bases the names of new destroyers and tenders and selects their sponsors, is to christen a warship herself—the vessel to be named the U. S. S. Saur.

Secretary Swanson today announced that Mrs. James Paul Casbarian has been designated as sponsor for submarine No. 189, now under construction at the plant of the Electric Boat Co. at Groton, Conn. The submarine is to be launched July 30. In the American Navy submarines are named after fish; battleships honor the various States; cruisers are named for states, while destroyers, submarine tenders and seaplane tenders are named for former Secretaries of the Navy, for great inventors, for officers and enlisted men of the Navy and Marine Corps, and for Senators and Representatives who have conspicuously aided the Navy.

Delives Into "Trees."
The policy of the Navy Department is to select as sponsor the nearest of kin of the man honored in the naming of a new warship. Delving into the family trees of the nation is Mrs. Casbarian's job. She makes up a regular genealogical chart and submits this to the chief clerk of the Bureau of Navigation of the Navy Department, Edward Henkel. This is then passed on to Rear Admiral Adolphus Andrews, chief of the bureau, who transmits it to Secretary Swanson for further action. The cabinet officer names the new vessels and elects their sponsors, upon recommendation of the chief of the Bureau of Navigation. But Mrs. Casbarian lays the groundwork for this.

Mrs. Casbarian, who resides at 1654 Monroe street N.W., joined the Bureau of Navigation during the World War, and has been there continuously since. During the war she was a yeoman (T.), regularly enlisted in the Navy. She is a native Washingtonian.

Her work in genealogical research necessitates a vast amount of correspondence, for it is the policy of the Navy Department to seek out the nearest relative of the man honored in the new destroyer, seaplane tender or destroyer tender. The sponsor is always a female descendant and may be

Comparatively Few Hold-up
Victims Co-operate in
Police Drive.

Disappointment at the public's failure to co-operate in the effort to reduce crime in the District was expressed today by Detective Chief Bernard W. Thompson following the attendance of only a handful of victims of recent hold-up, purse-snatchings and robberies at one of the biggest line-ups of prisoners in months.

As a result of a three-day round-up of suspicious characters by the new special "pick-up squad," 172 prisoners, most of them colored, were placed under the bright lights for inspection at police headquarters last night.

Attempts to link suspects with the crimes were not so successful, however, with only seven being tentatively identified. Twenty-five others were detained for further questioning and the remainder released.

165 Invited, 40 Show Up.

The line-up had been "advertised" to the extent of inviting 165 persons to come to headquarters and view the prisoners, Inspector Thompson said. Only 40 of those invited put in an appearance.

Representative Schulte of Indiana, who last week was held up by two bandits, was among those who attended. He did not identify any of the suspects. Mr. Schulte indicated he was pleased with the renewed efforts of police to combat crime, but said he thought the facilities at headquarters for the line-up were inadequate. He termed the old Administration Building "disgraceful" and added he believed the District government should rent a building until funds are appropriated for a new one.

Petty Crime Decreases.

Meanwhile, the current drive on thugs continued to curb the activities of petty criminals, with only one hold-up and several minor housebreakings being reported in the past 24 hours.

The hold-up victim, Oxford Stroud, 2430 Thirtieth street N.W., told police he was held up by a "thin-faced" white man while he was walking on Calvert street N.W. near Tulare road, last night. After relieving him of about \$3, Mr. Stroud said, the bandit ordered him to continue his walk on Calvert street. Looking over his shoulder, Mr. Stroud said he saw the bandit stroll off on Tulare road.

WILL DISCUSS WORK
FOR CARDIAC PATIENTS

Dr. James Esler to Address Public
Health Forum Tonight
at 8:30.

Closing the weekly programs of the public health forum at Georgetown University, Dr. James Esler will speak tonight at 8:30 o'clock on "Your Doctor Finds Work for Cardiac Patients." Heart disease, the most common cause of death, has created a staggering industrial as well as social cost, and the problem of rehabilitating the cardiac patient by finding suitable and remunerative work for him will be discussed by Dr. Esler. He is clinical professor of cardiology at the Georgetown Medical School.

The university has extended a special invitation to the personnel of all social and employment agencies to attend the tonight's final lecture, which is free to the public. Encouraged by the success of its first health forum, the university is planning to make it an annual affair.

**SECOND INQUEST
ORDERED IN FATAL
POLICE SHOOTING**

Coroner's Jury Will Seek
to Learn if Gunplay
Was Justified.

BALLISTICS TESTIMONY
CLEARS OFFICER HENRY

Policeman Nally Is Revealed as
Firing Shot Killing
Colored Veteran.

A second coroner's inquest will be held tomorrow in an effort to determine if Policeman John W. Nally was justified in shooting Leroy Keys, 38, colored, after the demented World War veteran, armed with butcher knives, defied police to take him from his home at 2470 Ontario road N.W. Tuesday morning, and finally set the place on fire.

The first jury was discharged late yesterday by Coroner A. Magruder MacDonald after it considered the case for almost three hours without reaching an agreement. Earlier, Policeman Nally's co-defendant, Officer Robert M. Henry, was absolved by ballistics testimony from Police Lt. John Fowler to the effect that the fatal bullet came from Mr. Nally's gun.

It was disclosed that the insane veteran, who had been a dementia praecox patient at St. Elizabeth's, Mount Alto and Gallinger Hospitals, since his discharge from the service in 1919, was under the delusion that he was fighting Germans. Instead of police officers, when he armed himself with knives and carpenter's tools and resisted efforts to dislodge him from the room in which he had locked himself.

Quizzed on Use of Gas.
Police witnesses were interrogated by the six-man jury to why they did not resort to tear gas to subdue the veteran. Policeman Henry testified that while his police car was equipped with tear gas, he knew little about its use and believed it would have been ineffective because Keys had smashed the windows in his home by hurling missiles at the officers through them.

In addition, the policeman testified, there were other occupants of the house upstairs who were afraid to come down while the siege was in progress. The officer thought the gas might have done more harm than good.

"Wasn't that the same type of gas used in dispersing street mobs in the open?" a juror was asked. The witness replied that he was "no expert on the subject."

Tells of Gas Training.

With regard to Policeman Henry's testimony that he did not "know much about tear gas," Inspector L. I. H. Edwards, assistant superintendent of police, said today that virtually all officers taken on the force for the last seven or eight years had received instruction under the department's gas expert, Capt. H. G. Callahan of No. 1 precinct, former head of the Police School.

All scout cars are equipped with gas grenades, Inspector Edwards said, but various officers are assigned to the cars from time to time and a few of them, he added, may not have received special instruction.

Meanwhile, the failure of the policeman to try gas or a fire hose in their efforts to capture Keys alive was criticized by the Pleasant Plains Civic Association in a letter to Police Chief Ernest W. Brown. The use of guns was described as "wanton slaughter" by the association, which declared that the "facts in the case, under no circumstances, warranted the shooting of the man."

Barred by Neighbor.

H. B. Jackson, colored, who, with his ill wife, occupied an apartment above that of Keys, said the demented man came to his door early Tuesday and tried to persuade him to let him enter. "I wouldn't let him in," the witness said. "He was hiding a butcher knife behind his back and thought he was fighting the Germans."

Keys then ran downstairs with the knife and shot leaving the building by Policeman Henry and another officer. It was testified the first two officers and the reserves sent for later tried every means to persuade Keys to come from the room. They sent for an ambulance physician, for members of Keys' family and consulted by telephone with Keys' former employer and his doctor.

Meanwhile, Keys threw carpenter's tools through the windows and slashed at the officers when they drew near.

Policemen and several civilian witnesses testified the officers did not know where the keys were until the curtains in his room. The blaze spread to an overstuffed chair and rug.

Shot to Scare Keys.

Both Officers Henry and Nally told the jury they shot to "scare Keys out" rather than to hit him. Policeman Nally said he could not see Keys for the smoke when he fired into the room, although one of the bullets penetrated Keys' heart.

Police Chief Brown and several inspectors and captains attended the inquest after the District Commissioners expressed interest in the case and intimated they might call for a special report on whether or not the officers used good judgment when they shot Keys.

Officers Henry and Nally testified they were convinced that occupants of the upper floors of the building were in danger from the flames when they fired into the burning room. Policeman Nally, 28-year-old former athlete at Catholic University, is the son of Detective Sgt. Thomas Nally. He was released to appear at tomorrow's inquest. Officer Nally is attached to No. 10 precinct and Officer Henry to No. 3.

\$1,050 for Grounds Asked.

An additional \$1,050 for improvement of the grounds surrounding the Capitol, Senate and House Office Buildings and the Capitol power plant is being requested by the House and sent to the House today.

Court in Session in Student Republic

Dorothy McGaha being sworn in as a witness in a trial before Chief Justice Mary Marguerite Wilson of the Montgomery High School student republic. Left to right, Roger Karr, bailiff; Esther Hines, clerk; Justice Wilson. First Lt. George Lechlider of the student police, Second Lt. Worley Cheeks, Miss McGaha and Capt. Dawson Wooten.

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Two Stations and Provision
for Inspectors and
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SITES RECOMMENDED
FOR TWO STRUCTURES

One on West Virginia Avenue N.E.
Near Mount Olivet Road—Other
at E and Twelfth S.W.

A supplemental appropriation of roughly \$190,000 will be sought by the Commissioners in the near future to provide for construction of two testing stations and provision of inspection and equipment for operation of the District's new automobile inspection law.

The Commissioners have before them for approval a recommendation of a committee of District officials proposing erection of one of the testing stations on West Virginia avenue N.E. to the north of Mount Olivet road and another on the northeast corner of Twelfth and E streets S.W.

Both sites are owned by the District. The West Virginia avenue tract now is used partly by the Highway Department. The other site is a part of the Farmers' Produce Market area.

Annual Inspections.
The act, signed recently by President Roosevelt, provides that all private vehicles must be given mechanical inspections once a year. For the first year the charge will be \$1 and thereafter 50 cents.

The fee will be collected at the time the 1939 automobile tags are sold unless the date for expiration of the year's tags is changed to March 1, as now suggested. In that case the fee will be charged before the tests begin, early next January.

Originally it had been planned tentatively to have three District stations, but one was dropped because of lack of suitable District-owned land in the Northwest section, it was explained by Auditor Daniel J. Donovan, head of the committee. If necessary, a third can be provided later, he said.

Four Lanes Sought.

Because of the reduction in the number of stations, the committee recommends that each of the two stations have four lanes instead of three to handle the testing of headlights, horns, brakes and glass of the cars. Each lane would be operated by six inspectors.

Of the proposed \$190,000 appropriation \$60,000 would be for construction of the garage-like structure planned for the Southwest station, \$66,000 for the Northeast station, \$20,000 for equipment, \$4,500 for miscellaneous items and roughly \$40,000 for the hire of 52 employees for the last six months of the next fiscal year, from next January 1 to July 1.

Government vehicles must be tested twice a year, but free of charge. Serving with Maj. Donovan are Highway Director H. C. Whitehurst, District Inspector William A. Van Dusen and District Surveyor Edward A. Dent.

'HOT TROT' TRAFFIC

RULES IN D. C. HIT

John Ihlder Urges Wide Survey
as the Basis for More Efficient
System.

John Ihlder, chairman of the Alley Dwelling Authority, yesterday charged that Washington's traffic is controlled by "hot trot" rules and urged that the American Automobile Association support a plan for a comprehensive traffic survey as the basis for a more efficient system.

Mr. Ihlder said he used the word "hot trot" because members of that unit tried to do not plan their next meal until they don't have a hamburger and declared that failure to plan in Washington has resulted in intolerable conditions.

Addressing a joint luncheon on the District Motor Club's Advisory Board and the Women's Safety Committee of the A. A. A., Mr. Ihlder said, "We do not have the answer to the problem now; we can get it only through a comprehensive survey."

Another speaker was Mrs. Eero Jarnefelt, wife of the Minister from Finland, who told how "silent traffic" control measures in Finnish cities have been successful.

"When horn-blowing was prohibited," she said, "both motorists and pedestrians became more careful and accidents were reduced."